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with the simple necessaries for a six of a bullef: provided myself with a moustrous Ken- dark. Foller round by Otter Bluff, didn't know bow long in them parts, and himself. But I could see no sign of him, an hoor of our first bivousc. knikeristed as how some up 'od find his and concluded that through weakness he In order to ascertain if the Indians had word. old grizzeld karkiss out there some day, had not been able to get there as soon as really left us, and if not, to wipe them for he couldn't abide the settlements no I had; so I sat myself down to a little out as soon as possible, it was finally des returned, and the rough spirits around two plates of sauce, two of them tarts, how. As for variety, about twenty-five thicket of young cedars that crowned one termined that I should return to the am- the old fort gave it as their opinion that and both kinds of cake-and mother, six years of age, and a Canadian by birth. I of the peaks, where I could see without bush whence I had fired on them, and my friend's prophesy regarding his death keepskicking me under thetable. Make had spent some years to the Hudson Bay being seen myself, to await his coming. watch the opposite side of the valley for had proved true, or, as they said in their her stop. territory and was on my way southward | Here I crouche | titl dark, and still no their return, whilst my companion would | peculiar vernacular, The blasted red skins | They brought Mr. Staylight to by dashwhen I formed the idea of joining Bill signs of my comrade. Tormenting doubts creep silently around to the trickets op- bad snuffed him out at last. Marston in his winter's hont.

of which he had been a quosi member, unable to use it through loss of blood; I this arrangement had been agreed upon quicker and truer bend than any man leaves stained with a deeper hoe than darkness, and falling on my bands and preciated by not a few: thereabours. He never hunted in com- their own dye, perishing from thirst and knees, I cautiously retraced my steps to party with others of his class, but came faintness, and went-no one knew whence or While debating what course to pursue, myself from any outside observation in and taking a band in the management of be in the gathering darkness; but as no the opposite bank. FAUTORY POINT, . . . YARMONT, that rather ticklish craft. I even heard attempt at concealment was made, I con- Tee fire had not yet died out, and the stop at this hoose. Livery and sale stable with half mile track connected with the house. Free carriage to salitoad station. 25 A barber shop connected with the house. young un instead to keep hin in perpetu- too wary to draw on themselves the ven- The minutes seemed hours to me, as 1 ly well. this, as I did, but he took no notice of it diately descended from my perch and curbed my bounding pulse, I found my my things. Then I leaned up against the dime penalty save one individual-a whatever; and I, a little taken down, was cantiously crept along the shaded edge self wondering at the nonchalance with door and took off a few more. Then I queer chap-whom nobody seemed to pash off shore, and sprang in with as hanging branches of the bordering cedars. patien and the still visible bodies of the Then I looked up at my berth. tonishing agility for a man of his age- In this way I must have crept forward sisin-slain, too, by my own hand!

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At length we reached the lodge as Mar- Bill Marston! and adjacent meadows seemed to be silve toes; the rest most likely lying in full into one last desparing effort, and, all unand in a short time I could do this as well view of their miserable owner. On my prepared, the savage was soon struggling as my teacher, though perhaps less expe- hands and knees I forced my way silently beside me on the dewy sward. As we

ditionaly. and on red a large number of fine skins, -for to break a twig or stir a leaf would last expiring group, however, he lifted me Marston got up and went out very early, have insured my destruction and when I in his arms and plunged into the rolling saying that he would visit some distant parted the branches before me I found stream. My head must have struck otter traps that had been set a long time. the two indians busily piling around their against a projecting rock, for it seemed I remained ,'n camp for several hours, but prisoner materials for a fire wherewith to to be cleft in twain; the bright stars finally, after vaying a visit to all the other roast him. I plainly saw that prompt danced before my closed eyes; the yieldthat had been a prung-I took my rifle and was corsing the blasted, sneaking, cew- below, and-I remember no more. was by no means a Jaborious occupation, and there are some strange ones.

in the old fashioned way. We also use some of every step.

partridge and grouse flew up at almost sitting upon a log balf buried upon the was able to sit up, be told me that be had out, you rascal. Immediately be felt a cobs. The entire mass was apparently I had been out about an hour and had as my riflie threw a bullet with very great himself in a position similar to my own click-click of a revolver, felt the cold a layer of gray ashes containing bones of bagged several fine birds, and was intent- force, if I could get them all in a line I on the opposite bank, and for a similar steel at his temple, and heard a deter- animals, and still above this was a layer ly looking up into a giant old pine for one might kill them all at one shot, or at all purpose—to shoot us down did we incau. mined but excited voice saying: Be still, of clay and soil. It is supposed to have of a covey I had just bushed, when the events, kill one and severely wound the tiously approach the old camp or the fire. or I'll blow your brains out. He saw been used in some religious rites of the distant report of a rifle broke the stillness other two. I therefore crept silently The other savage, whose gigantic body that the man meant business, and con- mound builders, being located in the of the mid forest sir. It seemed to me as back and considerably further to the right lay jammed between two rocks in the cluded to remain in just the position be midst of one of their large burial grounds if there were two reports almost simulta- where, much to my gratification, I found stream, with woodcraft equal to my neous; just as I came to the conclusion I could draw bead on their three heads in friend's had cautiously crept around to him otherwise. The latter kept repeating ed during the past few months. From

o murder, him for his polities and traps. around the fire; but with a quick giance from our own, and while endeavoring to pal to keep the doctor quiet while he got they said and how little they did.

Leaving the partridge undiscovered, I along the barrel of my trusty rife I sent spy out their numbers, had been fired out with the spoils, and then gathering hastily returned in the direction of the the bullet fourth on its errand of death. upon and wounded by a prowler. Throw- up the bundle of clothes on the longe he camp. Among the first things that caught. The two paluted serpents on the log fell log himself on the savage he stunned him ran down the stairs and gave a signal to In the antumn of 1846 I concluded to my eye on reaching it was small mink backward, and the other sprang into the with a blow from the butt of his rifle, and the man with the revolver, who was go on a hunting trip to the head waters skin hanging from the beckets where my air with a hawl of pain. With a maniacal escaped to the camp. Here he had taken down at a bound. The pastor's watch of the Soscatchewan-the North Branch gun usually hang, and on looking at the yell-strategetically followed by Marston the precaution to deceive the Indians and was taken, but not the money in the pan--and I speedily found myself traveling inside of this I read the following words -I rushed forward and isveled one of the to warn me, with which the reader has taloons underneath the bed. in a northwest direction, well supplied tudely scrawled thereon with the point two hideous imps dancing around the fire already been made acquainted. He was who were taken too much by surprise to however, speedily pursued by the whole months absence in that region. I had Injune air round. I've been hit. Keep know whether the attack was made by band of savages, and, after a hard strugone or a score. The other with his gle, captured. It was during this pursuit. It was Sunday afternoon, and young ucky tiffe, which in itself was a heavy This confirmed my worst suspicious wounded comrade, fied affrighted into of Marston that I arrived at the camp, Mr. Staylight had stopped until they were oad, but which I valued highly on ac. and I hastily turned to obey the injunc- the woods, while I scattered the burning and my having taken the river course, and forced to ask him to take support. The count of its accuracy and long range. My tions of my wounded friend, when, I pile and cut the bonds of my triend. No their entire ignorance of even my existcompanies in this expedition was an old bethought me that I had better concest sooner was he free than he bounded to same was the reason of my being enabled the table, while one of the best napking trapper, with whom I had become inti- some of my effects and scerete the most the log behind which the two victims lay to gain the the Binff unperceived. The was place by young Mr. Staylight's plate, mate at a trading post. He had taken a valuable of the peltries. Imagine my silent in death, and solzing their rifles. Indians proved to be Blackfeet, and were for the family desired to create all the imfancy to me at a shooting match wherein surprise when I found most of the furs dashed into the dark shadows of the for- no doubt on a plundering expedition, as pression possible upon his susceptible I had won the envishic reputation of the gone, as well as every article of mine, or est, shouting to me to follow him. In a their packs were filled with many articles mind. His young lady was conducting crack shot. This was no mean distinct indeed, anything that would betray the few minutes we were far beyond the ber which belong to whites alone. We of herself with great credit, and the young tion where eight out of ten bullets were fact that two men lived in the camp. I traying light of the scattered fire, when, course appropriated their borses and traps man was more than ever in love with her, slwsys put in the bulls-eye, of about one did not quite comprehend this manouvre suddenly stopping his rapid though silent and having unearthed our conocaled pel- when the mother said, passing the cake and a half inches in diameter, at a dis- till some time afterwards. I then quietly advance, Marston caught my arm and tries set off for Fort George, where we tance of eighty yards. This excellence crawled through the woods to the collection told me to reload my rifle, at the same arrived without further adventure. as a rifleman stood me in good stead as tion of rocks that my friend, for some time testing the captured weapons, I had seen enough of a trappers life, the sequel will show. My companion fanciful reason of his own, had chosen to which he found already charged. I was and though the laurels Marston heaped was a tall, raw-boned, heavy shouldered call Otter Bluff. It was late in the day eager to get as great a distance from our upon my brow caused a change of feeling man, whose nationality would have puz when I arrived at the Bioff, and mounted enemies as possible and so told Marston; on the part of his rough friends in my zled a physiognomist, as nothing of his wearily to the top. I looked around for but he soon convinced me that it would favor so much so that they declared that mother smiling sweetly; you haven't eatface could be seen buts very large Roman Marston, but he was no where to be seen. only bring on the destruction I would, in time, undoubtedly become a en hardly anything. nose, a pair of piercing grey eyes, and an Fearing that he had fainted from the loss excape. For, said he, if them ar red skins terror to both beaver and Injun, 1 deterunlimited quantity of grizzled beard. He of blood I made a careful though cautious diskiver that they aren't chased, they mined that the last Indian to fall by my said little of himself, except that he had search among the crags and ravines won't run fur; and the chances are that hands had fallen, and that in future I twice for that cake, much to his disgust, trapped and bunted off and on for he where a man might possibly have dragged they raise our har afore we'd been asleep would confine myself to my legitimate saw his opportunity, and snorted out with

now beset my mind and I began to fear posite, wherein the savages had disappear Marston's reputation as a keen and that Marston had been captured in his ed. At sunrise we were to meet at the wary hunter stood high among the band retreat to the Biuff, or that he had been old Bulff and compare notes. As soon as the old camp and having securely hidden

for full an hour, and still the fire seemed far away. As I stepped out in the bend of knowing. All I know was that no I cast an auxious despairing glance at and grappled with the goose. He bailed We were about three weeks in reaching of the river, on the side of which the fire welcome beams of the wished for sun yet it, reached out and dragged a travelling out the cranberry sauce with an unswerv-Marston's camp-far, far from any bu- burned with increased fury, a large owl tinted even the fleecy clouds high above shawl over me, and tried to warble a lug hand and he ate celery as the scripman habitation, except the occasional flew from his perch in an overhanging in the starry sky, and that till then I merry stave of a rollicking sea song, toral vegetarian ate grass; and finally, wigwam of some Indian hunter engaged tree, and sitently betook himself to a safer must keep my wearisome watch. I was The sense of atter forlormess, the feeling when he had finished his fifth piece of pie like ourselves. Part of the way we sailed distance from his natural enemy. As the trying to imagine where Marston then of desolation and fgoneness; the impress he whipped out a pocket state, wiped it along in our degout between the beauti- ill omened bird spread his soft, noisely was, and whether he was more successful lon, generally correct, that every well with his napkin, and wrote on it, in a fully tinted and ever varying tree clad wings to the night air, I bethought me in his vigil than myself, when the sound person in the ship is laughing at you; the large and legible hand: I am deaf and banks of the river, pushing along by day that, if Marston was near, I could commu. of a breaking twig startled the stillness saddening thoughts that there is no dumb. as rapidly as possible against the strong pleate my presence to him by imitating of the night and the next instant the loud chance of dying, the depressing knowcurrent, and carefully drawing up our its cry, whice I had often repeated in the whir of a tomahawk sounded close to my ledge that there is no help for it anyhow; canoe under some overhanging tree, pass but when we lay listening to the awaken- ear. I was on my feet in an instant; but the confidence that nobody is going to do United States lake survey in this city was ing the night enveloped in our warm edchorusoutside. Placing my hand upon before I could bring my rifle to bear in antyhing for you, and the philosophical engaged one day on the skirt of a wood my mouth, I emitted three or four of the right direction, I was seized in the resolution that you don't care a constitu- in Indiana. Near him, sleeping lazily in At the end of two weeks we arrived at those weired, dismal cries, which were arms of a powerful savage and dashed to tional red cent if they don't; the hope the sun, lay his faithful dog, Tiger. a fork of the river, where we left our ca- re-exheed by the sombre woods until the the earth, the rifle going off as I fell. We that you will be over it by morning, the Thinking to have some fun with the dog, noe concealing it in the hollow of a cot- somice river bend returned its ghostly fell together, my antagonist uppermost, and I half stunned beneath. I struggled for this purpose many years. He told Hastily tooking to my rifle, and assur- with all my strength to throw him from to a tree some place, if only for a little by game laws from marauding hunters me there was a considerable fall a short ing myself that the priming was all right, me, but I might as well have tried to while, the despairing sense of disappoint- was dashing through the bushes. As he distance above the forks, over which we I hurried on sikestly and stealthily until move a mountain. My right hand was a ment that steals over you as it becomes expected, Tiger came bounding and barkcould not get the canoe; so we shouldered within an eighth of a mile of the light. prisoner, caught by the sleve of my hunt- eviden; that the pilot basen't thought of ing to the fray, and soon detected the our packs and made the rest of our jour- When I parted the branches behind whose ing shirt, together with the bosom of that doing anything of the kind; and at last trick that was played upon him, sneaked shade I had cautiously advanced, and too unyielding garment. In our fail we the fervent, carnest, despairing wish that back to his lair, and lay down again. The On the fourth day of our march, Mars- looked in the direction of the blaze, I be had cleared the clump of faithless trees the boiler will blow up, the ship strike a surveyor resumed his duties, and was ton's keen eye detected Indian signs here held a sight that sent the blood cold and which I believed had so securely concealand there along our route, and while he chill back to my heart. Before me, on ed, and in his struggle to hold me down down by lightning and sink in 600 fath- when, all at once, the dog rose from his seemed to feel annoyed at being mendled the grassy plot in front of our but, were and to reach the weapon be had thrown ome of water, and do it all most power- sleep, set his ears and eyes in the direcwith and perhaps his traps stolen. It did seated three brawney savages, naked, and at my head, we had gradually approached full quick, too. not greatly affect me, as I knew that all painted with black and vermillion stripes the slope leading to the water; and just the tribes of British Indians were on and two others with similar costume, as his hand had accured the handle of the friendly terms with the Company and the were dancing around a young birch tree hatchet, and I closing my eyes, was exto which was bound hand and foot, poor pecting the cru-hing blow, the sharp crack of a rifle broke upon my operstrain- and dignity. I don't believe Charles veyor came and began anxiously to scan ston invariably called his but, without I waited to hear no more, harrying for- ed cars, and I feit my arm freed from the seeing anything more of the Indians, and ward as rapidly as possible from the vice like grip of my enemy. Opening my host's temper was visibly improved a sture of the ground and my desire to my eyes, expecting my assaliant to fall when he found everything was exactly as re main unseen, I soon came to chick dead at my side, (for I knew it must be he left it sometime before. He at once gro with of trees in the midst of which our Marston who fired,) I saw to my horror commenced initiating me into the art of but I ad been built. There was, of course that he was unicjured, but I saw also making up and setting traps for mink, no hut now. Everything was destroyed that he was startled by the discharge.

beaver and otter, with which the river that'would have been useless to our savage | Quick as thought I threw all my strength through the thick underwood until within rolled swiftly down the slope, I slezed One morning, after we had been thus forty yards of the hostile circle. This my knife and buried it to the hilt in his occu, vied about three weeks, and had taken movement of course had taken some time side again and again. Almost with his

went in search of game to supply our lar- ardly, red skinned heathen, with every When I awoke to consciousness, the der. This usually fell to my lot, and it variety of oath known to the fraternity- morning sun was sbining brightly, and Marston was pouring cold water over my as deer were plenty and tame, while The three savages that looked on were head and chest from his cap. When I mossy earth, and the idea struck me that shot the wounded Indian, who had placed hand drop on his shoulder, heard the thoroughly charred. It was covered with that it must have been the cond of Marston's gun, the thought suddenly struck me that he had that morning left his rife was pushing my rifle before me over a log and supposed me dead; but on examing.

I could draw bead on their three beads in friend's had cautiously crept around to his warning, and was pishing the past few months. From the trees which have grown above these that he had that morning left his rifle was pushing my rifle before me over a log and supposed me dead; but on examing. at the lod, re, as he expected to be laden which I intended making a rest, when I tion he found that life had not quite fied match, started toward her husband's of which this is the work must have ex-

weapon the pen, and I have kept my great malevolence:

ON THE OCEAN.

and it was admitted that he could draw a even pictured him lying among the maple Marston disappeared noiselessly into the of the Burlington Hawkeye, will be ap- of this novel supper were these: For

whither; and the surprise was great when I perceived a thright light a mile or more the thick cedars, peered through a tan-I was seen stepping into his old dug out off-I could scarcely say how far it might gled bush in my front for signs of life on apt to rise, I find. They are the only was agreed that whoever could weather

another grizzled, buck-skinned old trap- cluded it proceeded either from Marston, red light reflected from the stream in my rather instructive mind, I became sen- tions without replying, should be entitled per say that he proposed faccompanying who had outwitted his enemies, or from front lighted up the opposite shore with sible or a kind of a sort of a languor that to it gratuitiously. Many and frequent my companion, but he been repuised in those enemies themselves, who, in that a weird radionce, which, with my excitpretty short terms; and now, said the event, I thought must have captured or ed brain, kept me fully awake watching standing up and singing. I was't partic- to by the ladies in attendance to entrap indignant trapper, spitting out a huge killed my poor friend is spite of his keen the huge shadows that chased each other ular what kind of repose. The repose of the unguarded, and one ofter another flood of tobacco juice, he's tuck that woodcraft, as otherwise they would be along the margin of the sombre woods. the grave would have suited me perfect stont and discreet men went down before

al'hot water. Marston must have heard gence of the wounded trapper. I imme- thus lay in wait, and, as the night sir I stood on my feet and took off some of tions. At last all fell out and paid the glad when he gave the dugout a strong of the river, keeping well under the over- which I regarded my then present occu- stood on my head and got off one or two. know. He attended strictly to business It was six hundred feet from the floor.

under such circumstances.

night prepared to sleep the sleep of the either side. righteous. In his pantaloons pockets was a wallet containing in the neighorhood of \$200, money which he had recived orite attendent once said, "them are fine from various members of his church as novels, of yours, Sir Walter; they are just contributions to the benevolent societies. invaluable to me." "I amgiad to hear it, This was a little more money than a Tom, returned the novelist. Yes sir, minister is accustomed to get hold of at said Tom; for when I have been out all one time, and, consequently, just as the day hard at work, and come home tired, doctor was turning in, the thought of and take up one of your novels, I'm seleep burglars struck bim, and, acting on for- directly. tunate impulse, he kicked his pantaloons in under the bed out of sight or reach. A curious exhibition was made in the traps in our neighborhood-re setting action would alone save Marston, who ing waves closed over us, he above and 1 Then be lay down and slept. In an instant grain department of Unclimatic chamber he new that a burglar was in the room. of commerce, being a quantity of carbon-He turnd over toward the side at which ized or charred corn taken from a pit in the man was standing, throwing the bed one of the burisl grounds of the mound clothes of him as he did so, raised him- builders, and contained three or four self on his left elbow and shouted: Get bushels of corn, some shelled, some on with peltr les on his return, and the rife saw a new light spring up at the pile, and and familing the feeble spark, again kind. room. The second robber heard her isted here in America fully five hundred would make his journey rather irksome. soon the fire formed a bright circle led the expiring flame.

No soon or had this flashed through my around my doomed friend. At the same While Marston prepared breakfast, he shutting her out. She was naturally in mind than I felt sure that some of the moment the most distant of the savages related his adventures in the earlier part an agony of fright, thinking her busband A critic, in noticing a discourse on the wandering fudians, who perhaps knew of arose, and in another moment would of the preceding day. He discovered the was being murdered. After the slame sayings and doings of great men, re-Marston's selltary babits, had attempted doubtless have joined the yelling flends Indian encampment about three miles ming of the door, burgiar No. 2 told his marks: It is said to observe how much

for the second time;

Won't you have another piece, Mr. Staylight? No, thank you, said the young man in

his politest tone, not any more. Oh, do have just one more, orged the

The younger brother who sat opposite, and who had been instructed not to ask

Huk! I shouldn't think he had! he's From one of Marston's trips he never eaten four hunks of tongue, three biscoits,

ing ice-water in his face.

They had a dime supper in the neighborhood of Pawtucket, conceived and The following experience of Burdette carried out by the ladie . The conditions every word spoken by the gentlemen at The sea grew rougher, and, as the the supper table a forfeit of ten cents pitching and rolling of the good steame, was imposed; but, on the other hand (as New York increased, my spirits did not duties are always compensated with things about you that don't rise, however, the whole supper, submitting to all My subject of reflection baving cluded queries, surprises and ingenious questhe constant velley of artful interrogaand passed unbeeded these lokes, libes and challenges. They quizzed him, but all in vain. He wrestled with the turkey

A gentleman connected with the forlors hope, now and then, that the piloe he gave a shout and a jump into the will get frightened and tie the ship up to thicket as if all the game ever protected tion of the wood, gave a bark, and made This is the float spasm. While the a rush for the forest depths. The surillness lasts it does take the nerve out of veyor followed the noble brute to a tree, you. Nothing else in the world is or can up which he was sending canine congratbeso destructive to manly self respect ulations to the prey; but when the sur-Francis Adams could look dignified the boughs for the biding game, Tiger gave a satisfied Ah Wooh! bestowed a glance of contempt on the surveyor, and, HOW THE PARSON SAVED HIS MONEY striking a dignified gait, staiked back to his couch with the appearance of a dog Good Dr. Rhea, pastor of a church in that had squared up all accounts with Davenport, Ia., went to bed Saturday the sorveyor, and had left nothing due on

Old Tom Pudie, Sir Walter Scott's fav-